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SUBJECT: HCARLTON FOOTBALL CLUB USA TOUR FROM AUSTRALIA

REF: MELBOURNE 1884

SUMMARY: DISCRIBES ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR CFC TEAM. END SUMMARY.

PER SCHMITZ/CURRAN TELCON 70SEP, REPEATED BELOW IS MESSAGE TEXT CONCERNING YOUR REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE ON CFC PROJECT.

QUOTE REQUEST USTS/TOKYO SCHMITZ COUNSEL MELBOURNE BY PHONE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ON REF CABLE SUPPORT REQUEST. WE FULLY UNDERSTAND SUBSTANTIAL POTENTIAL BENEFITS FROM PROJECT BUT NEITHER USTS NOR ANY OF OTHERS ADDRESSED IN CABLE HAVE NECESSARY RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO PROVIDE ALL REQUESTED SUPPORT WITHIN TIME CONSTRAINTS IMPLIED. PLS ADVISE MELBOURNE THAT THE FOLLOWING HAS BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. 1. CHRIS HILLS IN LOS ANGELES (213-488-9100) AND FRANK ABEEL IN SAN FFANCISCO (415-626-50000) CONVENITION AND VISITORS BUREAUS HAVE BEEN ALERTED BY USTS AND WILL PROVIDE GUIDANCE TO TV TEAM AS REQUESTED BUT ARE UNABLE TO PROVIDE ESCORT.

2. ED KARNACKI OF HAWAII RECEIPTION CENTER (808-546-7152) WILL MEET GROUP UPON ARRIVAL HONOLULU. HAWAII OFFICIALS ARE NOT UNCLASSIFIED

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WILLING TO PRMIT CFC EXHIBITION GAME TO INTERFERE WITH HOMECOMING FOOTBALL GAME PROGRAM SCHEDULE. IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR CFC TEAM TO HOLD PRACTICE GAME AT UNIVERSITY FIELD AT OTHER TIME BUT THIS POSSIBILITY SHOULD BE NEGOTIATED DIRECTLY BETWEEN CFC AND UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS. APPARENTLY ADVANCE CFC TEAM REP MARSH HAD PREVIOUSLY APPROACHED UNIVERSITY OFFICIALS FOR EXHIBITION GAME WITH NO SUCCESS.

THE CFC TEAM SCHEDULING REQUESTS INCLUDED IN REF CABLE APPEAR TO BE ACTIONS THAT SHOULD BE BEST HANDLED DIRECTLY BY CFC EXECUTIVES. TV TEAM SUPPORT ON THE OTHER HAND DOES APPEAR MORE APPROPRIATE FOR A USTS ROLE BUT A PROJECT OFFICER WOULD BE REQUIRED TO COORDINATE ALL ARRANGEMENTS AND CONSIDERABLE TIME WOULD BE REQUIRED WHICH WE DO NOT HAVE. WE RECOMMEND THAT FUTURE LARGE SCALE VISIT USA TYPE PROJECTS SUCH AS THIS BE COORDINATED AT CRITICAL STAGES WITH USTS/TOKYO BEFORE BEING SENT TO THE USA, ESPECIALLY WHEN SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS ARE AS WIDELY ADDRESSED AS REF CABLE WHICH RESULTED IN SOME DEGREE OF INITIAL CONFUSION AMONG RECIPIENTS.

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